

Neutrino Collaboration with Fermilab Present and Future

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INTENSITY FRONTIER - Why Interest in Neutrinos?

- Neutrinos: Of all the known particles, neutrinos are the most mysterious and abundant. We need to know their properties to fully understand the evolution of the Universe.
- Neutrino Masses and Mixing (The most important discovery of Particle Physics in last twenty years):
 - Evidence of Physics Beyond the Standard Model
 - May signal new physics at very high energies
 - A new, different and complementary window on the origin of mass
 - Provides a different window on the problem of flavor (why three (3) generations?, why mixing?, why CP violation?)
 - In some scenarios beyond the SM, Neutrinos could be an important component of the dark matter.
- Lepton number and CP-violation could be at the origin of the baryon asymmetry of the Universe.
- The discovery of small effects in neutrino physics (violation of unitarity, sterile neutrinos, non-standard interactions, CP and CPT violations) could unveil new particles and interactions.

QUESTIONS FOR THE FUTURE - IN NEUTRINO SECTOR?

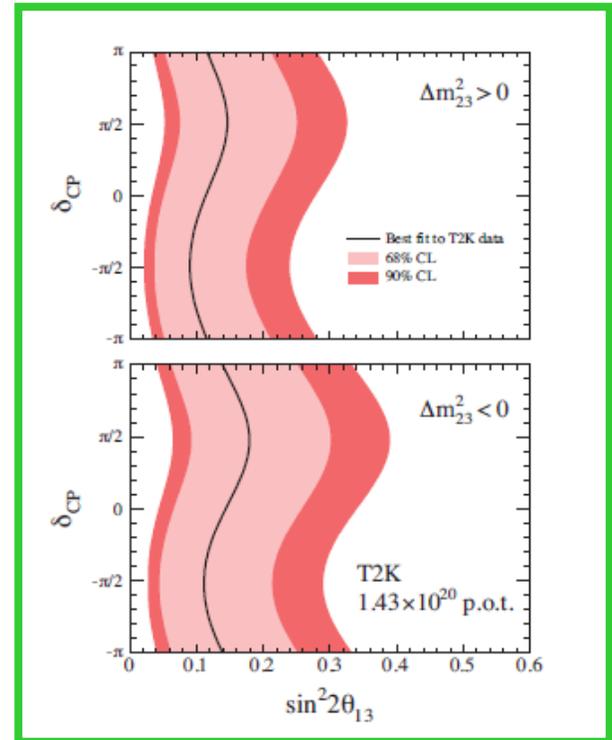
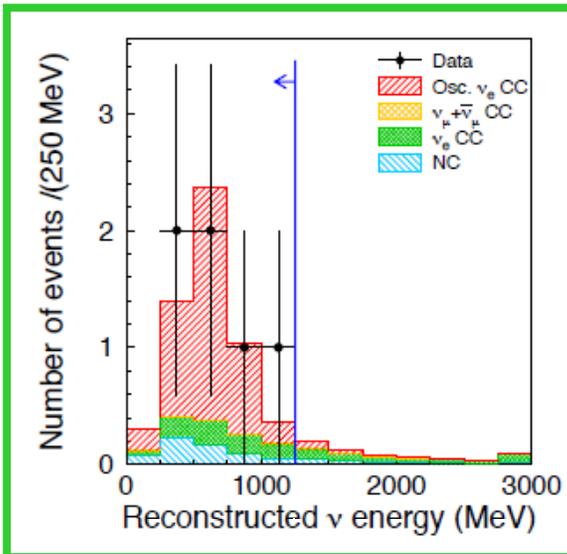
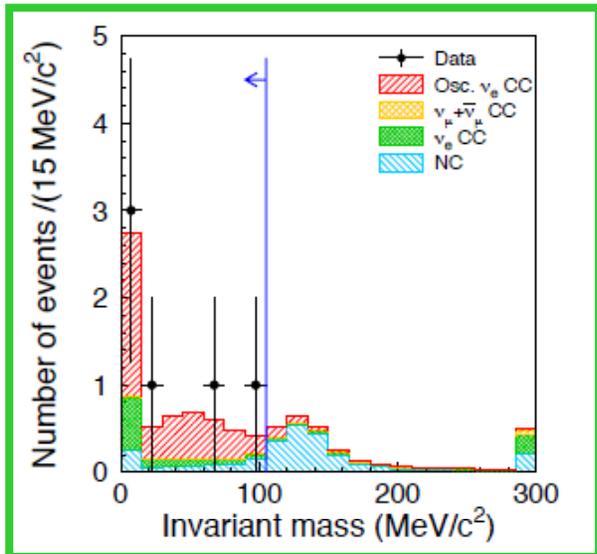
1. **What is the value of θ_{13}** , the mixing angle between first and third-generation neutrinos for which, so far, experiments have only established limits?

The first possible indication of its large positive value came on 15.6.2011 from T2K. Determining the size of θ_{13} has critical importance not only because it is a fundamental parameter, but because its value will determine the tactics to best address many other questions in neutrino physics. MINOS, T2K, NOvA, Double-CHOOZ, Daya-Bay, RENO, LBNE

2. **Do neutrino oscillation violate CP?** If so, how can leptonic CP violation drive a matter-antimatter asymmetry among leptons in early universe (leptogenesis)? What is the value of the CP-violating phase, which is so far completely unknown? Is CP violation among neutrinos related to CP violation in the quark sector? LBNE

3. **What are the relative masses of the three known neutrinos?** Are they “normal,” analogous to the quark sector, ($m_3 > m_2 > m_1$) or do they have a so-called “inverted” hierarchy ($m_2 > m_1 > m_3$)? Oscillation studies currently allow either ordering. The ordering has important consequences for interpreting the results of neutrinoless double beta decay experiments and for understanding the origin and pattern of masses in a more fundamental way, restricting possible theoretical models. LBNE or INO

T2K RESULT ON $\nu_\mu \rightarrow \nu_e$ OSCILLATION - 15.JUNE.2011



Number of protons on Target = 1.43×10^{20}

Expected background at FD with no oscillation = 1.5

Number of electron like events observed at FD = 6

**90% C.L. interval and best fit point assuming
 $(\Delta m^2_{23} = 2.4 \times 10^{-3} \text{ eV}^2, \text{ Sin}^2 2\theta_{23} = 1 \text{ and } \delta_{CP} = 0)$**

**$0.03 < \text{Sin}^2 2\theta_{13} < 0.28$ (normal)
 $\text{Sin}^2 2\theta_{13} = 0.11$**

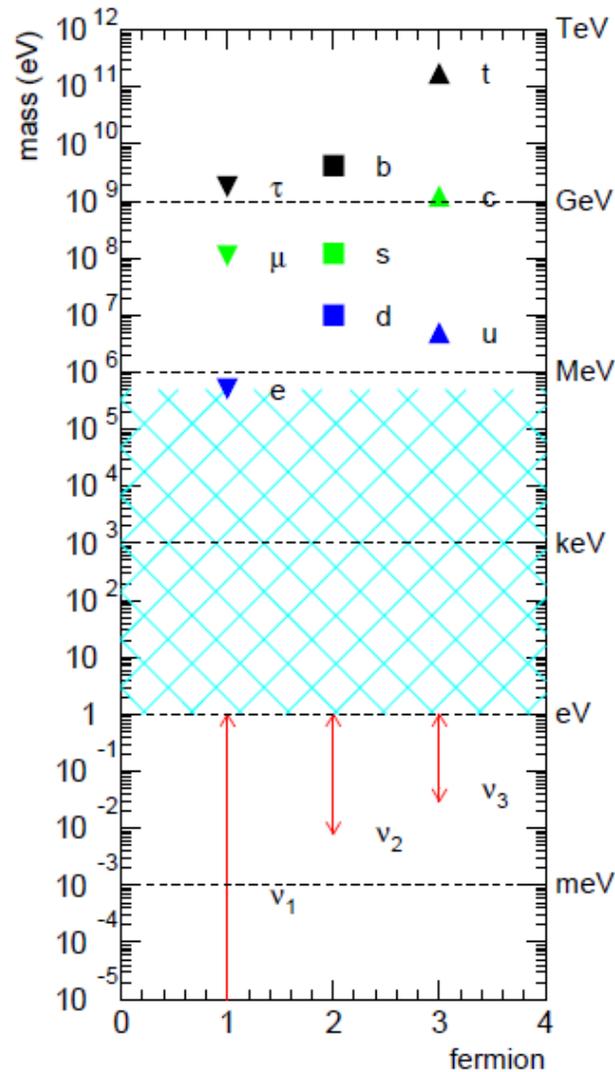
**$0.04 < \text{Sin}^2 2\theta_{13} < 0.34$ (inverted)
 $\text{Sin}^2 2\theta_{13} = 0.14$**

QUESTIONS FOR THE FUTURE - IN NEUTRINO SECTOR?

4. Is θ_{23} maximal (45 degrees)? If so, why? Will the pattern of neutrino mixing provide insights regarding unification of the fundamental forces? Will it indicate new symmetries or new selection rules? T2K, NOvA, INO, LBNE
5. Are neutrinos their own anti-particles? Do they give rise to lepton number violation, or leptogenesis, in early universe? Do they have observable laboratory consequences such as the sought-after neutrinoless double beta decay in nuclei. CUORICINO/CUORE, NEMO3/SUPERNEMO, GERDA, EXO, SNO++, COBRA, MAJORANA etc.
6. What can we learn from observation of the intense flux of neutrinos from a supernova within our galaxy? Can we observe the neutrino remnants of supernovae that have occurred since the beginning of time. Super-K, LBNE, Ice-Cube
7. What can neutrinos tell us about new physics beyond the Standard Model such as deviation of weak mixing angle from those determined at the colliders, violation of sum rules and isospin symmetry? Are there large Δm^2 oscillations as hinted by LSND and MiniBooNE experiments? Are there non standard interactions? The fine grained Near Detector for LBNE will have the capability to address these questions with unprecedented precision. Do sterile neutrinos exist? Fine-Grained Near Detector for LBNE (ex: HiResMv or a variation of it)
8. What is the absolute mass of neutrinos? Tritium (KATRIN) and $0\nu\beta\beta$ Decay

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WHAT ARE NEUTRINOS TELLING US?



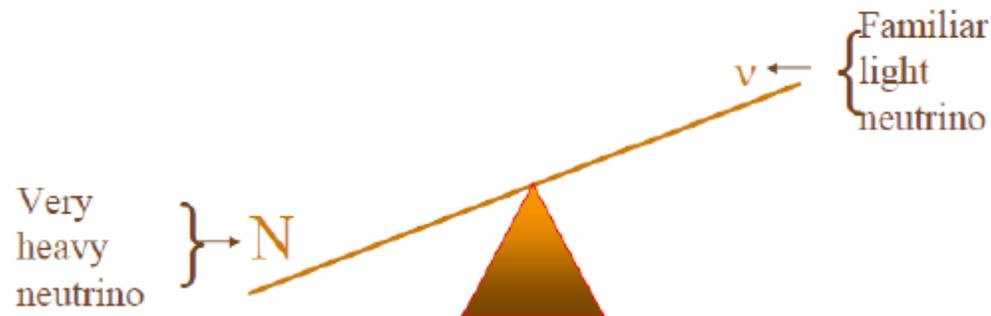
Neutrinos have tiny masses.
Not expected in the SM.

Lepton Mixing is different from
quark mixing.

A complementary window on the
problem of flavor.

SOMETHING ABOUT UNIFICATION?

See-Saw Mechanism



$$\text{Mass (N)} \sim 10^{15} \text{ GeV}$$

The Strong, EM and Weak forces unify at $\sim 10^{16}$ GeV

This might shed light on the physics at energy scales (unification scale?) which cannot be tested directly.

HISTORY OF COLLABORATION AT FERMILAB – MY VERSION

1. **Emulsion exposure in 200 and 400 GeV beam – late 70's**
2. **Di-muon (DY) experiment – as individual collaborators – late 70's**
3. **Fixed target experiment E706 – DU – 1985 - 1992**
4. **Tevatron Collider D0 – DU, PU, TIFR – since late 80's, early 90's
(Tevatron to finish operation on 30/9/2011)**

Visit of US team in 2003 to discuss further collaboration:

5. **Accelerator Collaboration – RRCAT, IUAC, BARC, VECC, IGCAR ~2006**
6. **Neutrino Collaboration – Since 2010**

Across the board on Fermilab Neutrino Experiments

We are working on MIPP, MINOS, NOvA, LBNE [pre-Project-X (700KW beam power) and with Project-X (~2.3 MW beam power)]

Institutions Involved - BHU, CUSAT, DU, IITG, IITH, JU, HU, PU.

MOU between INDIAN and US INSTITUTIONS

Memorandum of Understanding
between
US Universities & Accelerator Laboratories
and
Indian Universities & Accelerator Laboratories
concerning
Collaboration on R&D for Various Accelerator Physics and High
Energy Physics Projects
 January 9, 2006

1. Introduction

1.1 General Description

This Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) establishes a collaboration framework between various US and Indian Accelerator Laboratories and Universities, hereinafter referred to as the "Parties", to pursue coordinated R&D in areas of mutual interest pertaining to accelerator and high energy physics projects. This agreement between the Parties is made to further the objectives of any existing national and international collaborations, and shall not alter those collaborations. This MOU between the Parties is not a legal contractual obligation on the part of any of the institutions that are a party to the agreement.

1.2 Objective

The objective of this MOU is to document the terms under which work of the Parties is to be performed.

1.3 Scope

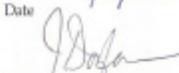
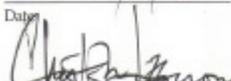
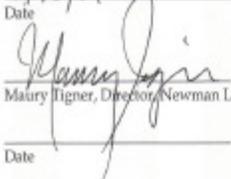
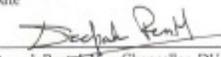
This MOU covers work to be performed by the Parties in the furtherance of the goals of the collaborations and the specific R&D tasks within the topics of collaboration.

1.4 Initial List of Participating Institutions

The following is a list of the institutions that are a party to the collaboration. The Parties agree that after mutual consultation, they would favorably consider admitting new partner institutions from the USA and India who want to contribute towards the objective of this Agreement.

4.2 Approvals

The following concur in the terms of this Memorandum of Understanding:

	
Piermaria Oddone, Director, FNAL	Vinod C. Sahni, Director, CAT
1/9/05	March 8, 2006
Date	Date
	
Jonathon Dorfman, Director, SLAC	Bikash Sinha, Director, VECC
1/23/06	March 9, 2006
Date	Date
	
Christoph Lechner, Director, TJNAJ	Amit Roy, Director, IUAC
1/18/06	March 9, 2006
Date	Date
	
Maury Tigner, Director, Newman Lab	S. Bhattacharya, Director, TIFR
	April 17, 2006
Date	Date
	
	S. Banerjee, Director, BARC
	March 14, 2006
Date	Date
	
	Deepak Pant, Vice Chancellor, DU
	April 10, 2006
Date	Date

LETTER FROM THE FERMILAB DIRECTOR



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Dear Prof. Choudhary and Prof. Mishra,

Fermilab's program for the next decade includes investigation of physics at the intensity frontier while vigorously participating in energy frontier physics at LHC and the cosmic frontier. With the energy frontier moving from the Fermilab-Tevatron to the CERN-LHC, a significant fraction of our Indian collaborators will shift to LHC.

Scientists from US and Indian institutions have been collaborating on high energy physics experiments at Fermilab since 1985. Together we have made valuable contributions to the Fermilab program. Recently we have developed strong accelerator collaboration with the Indian Department of Atomic Energy laboratories. This collaboration is making considerable progress in contributing to the proposed Project-X R&D and SRF infrastructure. We have been exploring the possibilities of expanding this collaboration to the intensity frontier physics at Fermilab. I would like to seek your help, as a member of neutrino experiments at Fermilab and with ties to physics community in India, in establishing neutrino collaboration with Indian institutions.

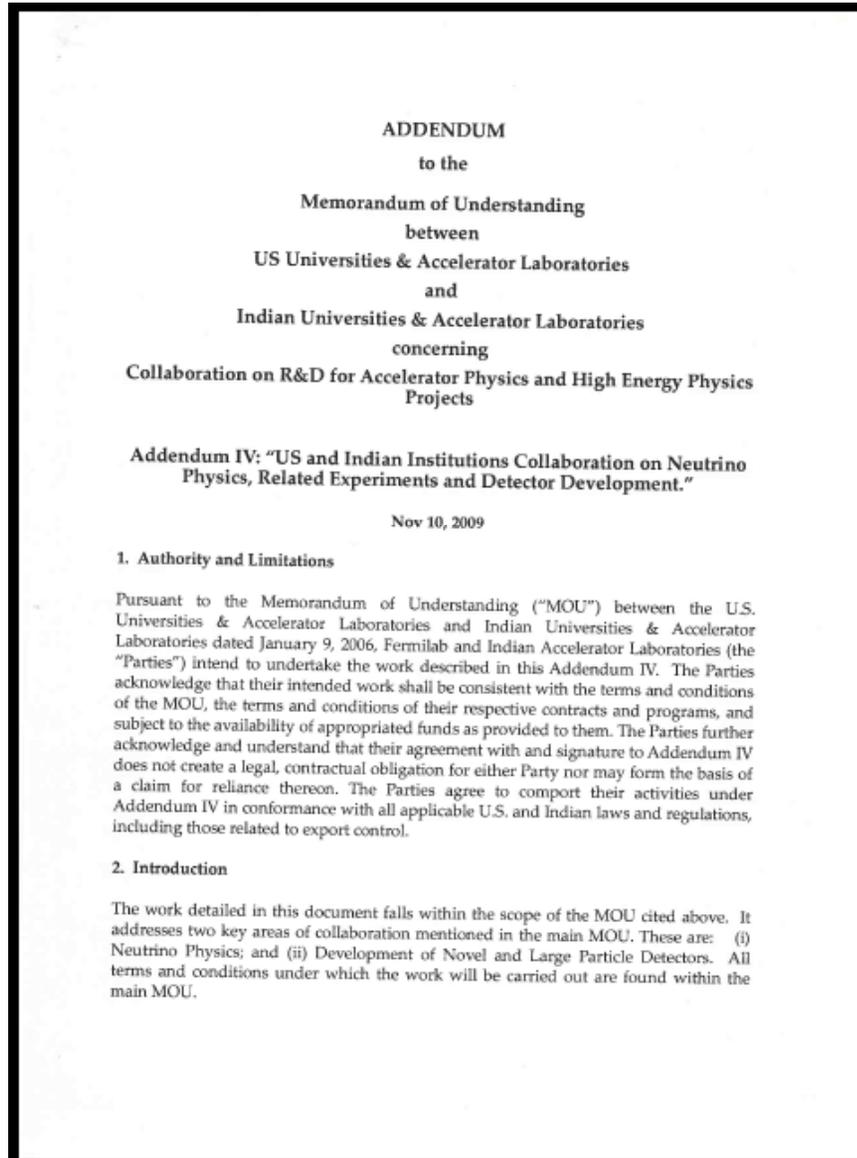
I am requesting you to work with Shekhar Mishra, Fermilab, in developing this collaboration. While working with the management of the respective Fermilab experiments, you would serve as the Technical Project Managers for the work that would be carried by Indian institutions collaboration.

Thank you,

Sincerely,

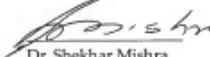
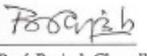
Piermaria J. Oddone,
Laboratory Director

MOU on v Collaboration between Indian Institutions & FERMILAB



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The following concur on the terms of this Memorandum of Understanding Addendum:

 Dr. Amit Roy Director IUAC	10 Nov, 2009 Date	 Dr. Piermaria Oddone Director, Fermilab	11/16/09 Date
 Dr. Vinod Sahni Collaboration Coordinator DAE, India	Nov 10, 2009 Date	 Dr. Shekhar Mishra, Collaboration Coordinator, Fermilab	11/12/09 Date
 Prof. Brajesh Choudhary, Technical Project Manager University of Delhi, India	10 Nov 2009 Date	 Prof. Sanjib Mishra Technical Project Manager University of South Carolina, Columbia	12 Nov. 09 Date

Collaborating Institutions:

1. Banaras Hindu University, Varanasi
2. Cochin University of Science & Tech., Cochin
3. University of Delhi, Delhi
4. IITG, Guwahati
5. IITH, Hyderabad
6. Jammu University, Jammu-Tawi
7. Hyderabad University, Hyderabad
8. Panjab University, Chandigarh

More Institutions have shown interest.
Others are most welcome.

A Proposal by Indian Physicists to collaborate on Neutrino Projects at Fermilab

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**Money
expected
by
September.**

**Requested
amount
12.4 crores**

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STATUS OF THE COLLABORATION

- **Strong support from Universities, DAE and DST management for this collaboration.**
- ***DST expects to approve the financial support by September 2011.***
- **Collaboration already in progress since January 2010.**
- **Five students and several faculty already involved in MIPP, MINOS and LBNE collaborations. Details to follow.**

Essential Elements of the Proposal

➤ Focus of the Experimental Studies @ Fermilab

- ❑ Participate in cutting edge neutrino experiments
- ❑ Measurement of Neutrino Flux with MIPP – MIPP data will be the ONLY empirical constraint on the neutrino-flux in present and future accelerator experiments and help atmospheric as well as long-baseline neutrino experiments make precision measurements
- ❑ Gain Experience with MINOS Detector
 - ❖ Use 5.4Kton magnetized Fe-Scintillator calorimeter; should prove useful for future magnetized calorimeter such as ICAL at INO
 - ❖ Measure the most precise value of atmospheric mixing parameter Δm^2_{23}
 - ❖ Learn to conduct $\nu_{\mu} \rightarrow \nu_e$ (θ_{13}) search in a magnetized Fe calorimeter; challenge is to find a small ν_e signal among large neutral current π^0 s
- ❑ Participate in LBNE-DUSEL Neutrino Experiment (Beamline ~1300 Km)
 - ❖ Search θ_{13} down to $\text{Sin}^2 2\theta_{13} = 0.003$ or θ_{13} less than 2 degrees
 - ❖ Measure CP violation in the lepton sector
 - ❖ Measure Mass Hierarchy for Neutrinos

➤ Focus of the Detector Developments @ Home

- ❑ Create detector R&D labs at various Universities (Gaseous Detectors, Scintillators and Scintillating Crystal based Calorimetric studies)

Major Gains that are Expected from Our Efforts

- ❑ **Training of Young Physicists: Most useful resource for domestic future high energy physics/nuclear physics programs:**
Will prepare a cadre of young graduate students, post-doctoral fellows, and junior faculty for world class projects at home, eg, ICAL @ INO & other experiments.
- ❑ **Start EHEP Groups at New Institutions**
Example – participation by - IIT (Hyderabad), Univ. of Hyderabad, CUSAT and others.
- ❑ **Hands on Experience at Fermilab: Will help us in:**
 - ❖ Learning design of experiments
 - ❖ Fabricating detectors - Scintillator (solid + liquid), LAr, Water Cherenkov
 - ❖ Developing auxiliary system such as DAQ & gas distribution system
 - ❖ Maintain and operate experiments
 - ❖ Data analysis
 - ❖ Opportunity to work on MINOS – a mini ICAL
- ❑ **New Detector Labs at Universities and indigenous training of future manpower**

What have we achieved in a year and half ?

- **Five students and several faculty already involved in MIPP, MINOS and LBNE collaborations.**
 - Two students working towards their Ph.D thesis on MIPP.
 - One student working towards Ph.D thesis on MINOS.
 - Two students spent considerable time (6 months to a year) analyzing MIPP data.
 - One more student to start Ph.D work soon at Fermilab
 - One faculty visited for a year as prestigious International Fellow.
 - At present two faculty at Fermilab working on LBNE.
- **We have presented results, talks and posters at**
 - MIPP poster at NuFact 2010
 - MIPP poster at Fermilab annual users meet, 2011
 - MIPP poster to be presented at Lepton Photon 2011
 - MINOS talk at APS meeting in CA, 2011
 - MINOS poster at Fermilab annual users meeting.
 - LBNE talk at NuFact 2010 and NuHorizon 2011
 - Have written scientific notes for MIPP, MINOS and LBNE

Why participate in LBNE and LBNE-ND?

Inspiration from the DAE/DST management – participate if:

- **The program is Physics Rich**
 - ✓ **Compelling Neutrino Physics**
 - ✓ **Physics of Near Detector**
 - ❖ **Participation by Experimentalists / Engineers**
 - ❖ **Exploration by theorists due to richness of the program**
- **Indian contribution should be significant and should have DAE-DST ownership**
 - ✓ **Design, built, and operate Magnet + ECal + Muon system, or Magnet + ECal, or Magnet + Muon system**
- **Contribution should have synergy with interest and expertise in India and with INO program**
 - ✓ **Expertise exists in magnet design, scintillator (for ECal and/or muon) and RPC (muon) detectors and SiPM (Ecal) readout**
 - ✓ **Complements INO physics program**

Near Detector Concept and Physics?

1. Use of “identical small detector” at the near site is insufficient for future LBL experiments. Due to scale impossible to have identical ND and FD. What should be the aim of an ideal ND? It should provide:

- ✓ Flux of $\nu_e, \nu_\mu, \bar{\nu}_e, \bar{\nu}_\mu$ at ND and FD as function of E_ν and θ_ν
- ✓ Absolute neutrino energy (E_ν) scale
- ✓ Measurement of neutrino induced $\pi^0, \pi^+, \pi^-, p, K^\pm$ flux in NC and CC interactions - backgrounds to oscillation signal
- ✓ Difference between neutrino and anti-neutrino interactions for both electron and muon flavor
- ✓ The LBNE-ND aims to provide precise constraints on the systematic errors affecting the ν oscillations physics – ultimate calibration of the Far Detector

2. Discovery Potential - Sum-rules, iso-spin physics, searches (sterile neutrinos etc.)

3. A whole bunch of very precise measurement

4. Over 75 different topics/papers/thesis (next-page)

PHYSICS POTENTIAL with HiResMv?

APPENDIX A: Physics Potential of HiResMv

Below we enumerate some physics topics which can be studied with the proposed experiment and can be the subject of PhD theses. The list is not complete. It is intended to illustrate the outstanding physics potential of HiResMv; the many others will ensue.

About NuMI and Service to LBL

- 1: The energy scale and relative flux of ν_μ flux in NuMI
- 2: The $\bar{\nu}_\mu$ relative to ν_μ as a function of E_ν in NuMI
- 3: Relative abundance of ν_μ and $\bar{\nu}_\mu \rightarrow \nu_e$ and $\bar{\nu}_\mu \rightarrow \bar{\nu}_e$ in NuMI
- 4: An empirical parametrization of K_L^0 yield in NuMI using the $\bar{\nu}_\mu$ data
- 5: Redundancy check on the MIPP π^+ , K^+ , π^- , K^- , and K_L^0 yields in NuMI using the ν_μ , $\bar{\nu}_\mu$, ν_e , and $\bar{\nu}_e$ induced charged current interactions

Neutral-Pion Production in ν -Interactions

- 6: Coherent and single π^0 production in ν -induced neutral current interactions
- 7: Multiplicity and energy distribution π^0 production in neutral current and charged current processes as a function of hadronic energy
- 8: The cross section of π^0 production as a function of X_F and J_T in the ν -CC interactions

Charged-Pion & Kaon and Proton & Neutron Production in ν -Interactions

- 9: Coherent and single π^+ production in ν -induced charged current interactions
- 10: Coherent and single π^- production in $\bar{\nu}$ -induced charged current interactions
- 11: Charged π/K /Proton production in the neutral current and charged current interactions as a function of hadronic energy
- 12: The cross section of π^+/K^+ /proton production as a function of X_F and J_T in the ν -CC interactions

- 44: Measurement of scaled momentum, rapidity, sphericity and thrust in (anti)neutrino charged current interactions
- 45: Search for rapidity gap in neutrino charged current interactions.
- 46: Verification of quark-hadron duality in (anti)neutrino interactions
- 47: Verification of the PCAC hypothesis at low momentum transfer
- 48: Determination of the behavior of $R = \sigma_L/\sigma_T$ at low momentum transfer

Nuclear Effects

- 49: Measurement of nuclear effects on F_2 in (anti)neutrino scattering from ratios of Pb, Fe and C targets
- 50: Measurement of nuclear effects on πF_2 in (anti)neutrino scattering from ratios of Pb, Fe and C targets
- 51: Study of (anti)shadowing in neutrino and antineutrino interactions and impact of axial-vector current
- 52: Measurement of axial form-factors for the bound nucleons from quasi-elastic interactions on Pb, Fe and C
- 53: Measurement of hadron multiplicities and kinematics as a function of the atomic number

Semi-Exclusive and Exclusive Processes

- 54: Measurement of charmed hadron production via dilepton ($\mu^+ \mu^-$, and $\mu^+ e^-$) processes
- 55: Determination of the nuclear strange sea using the (anti)neutrino charm production and QCD evolution
- 56: Measurement of J/ψ production in neutral current interactions
- 57: Measurement of K_S^0 , A and \bar{K} production in neutrino CC processes
- 58: Measurement of K_S^0 , A and \bar{K} production in antineutrino CC processes
- 59: Measurement of K_S^0 , A and \bar{K} production in (anti)neutrino NC processes
- 60: Measurement of on-shell strange hadron and hyperon production in (anti)neutrino charged

- 13: Measurement of neutron production via charge-exchange process in the CC and NC interactions
- ### Neutrino-Electron Scattering

- 14: Measurement of inverse muon decay and absolute normalization of the NuMI flux above $E_\nu > 11$ GeV with $\leq 1\%$ precision
- 15: Search for lepton violating $\bar{\nu}_\mu - e^-$ CC interaction
- 16: The $\nu_\mu - e^-$ and $\bar{\nu}_\mu - e^-$ neutral current interaction and determination of $\sin^2 \theta_W$
- 17: Measurement of the chiral couplings, g_L and g_R using the $\nu_\mu - e^-$ and $\bar{\nu}_\mu - e^-$ neutral current interactions

ν -Nucleon Neutral Current Scattering

- 18: Measurement of neutral current to charged current ratio, R^N , as a function of hadronic energy in the range $0.25 \leq E_{had} \leq 20$ GeV
- 19: Measurement of neutral current to charged current ratio, R^p and R^n , for $E_{had} \geq 3$ GeV and determination of the electroweak parameters $\sin^2 \theta_W$ and ρ .

Non-Scaling Charged and Neutral Current Processes

- 20: Measurement of ν_μ quasi-elastic CC interaction
- 21: Measurement of $\bar{\nu}_\mu$ quasi-elastic CC interaction
- 22: Determination of M_N from the QE cross section and the shape of the kinematic variables (Q^2 , Y_N , etc.)
- 23: Measurement of the axial form-factor of the nucleon from quasi-elastic interactions
- 24: Measurement of ν_μ induced resonance processes
- 25: Measurement of $\bar{\nu}_\mu$ induced resonance processes
- 26: Measurement of resonant form-factors and structure functions
- 27: Study of the transition between scaling and non-scaling processes
- 28: Constraints on the Fermi-motion of the nucleons using the 2-track topology of neutrino

and neutral current

- 61: Measurement of the A and \bar{K} polarization in neutrino charged current interactions
- 62: Measurement of the A and \bar{K} polarization in antineutrino charged current interactions
- 63: Measurement of the A and \bar{K} polarization in (anti)neutrino neutral current interactions
- 64: Inclusive production of $\rho(770)$, $K(890)$ and $\Xi(1270)$ mesons in (anti)neutrino charged current interactions
- 65: Measurement of backward going protons and pions in neutrino CC interactions and constraints on nuclear processes
- 66: D^*+ production in neutrino charged current interactions
- 67: Determination of the D^0 , D^+ , D_s^0 , D_s^+ production fractions in (anti)neutrino interactions
- 68: Production of $K^*(892)^+$ vector mesons and their spin alignment in neutrino interactions

Search for New Physics and Exotic Phenomena

- 69: Search for heavy neutrinos using electronic, muonic and hadronic decays
- 70: Search for eV (pseudo)scalar penetrating particles
- 71: Search for the exotic Theta+ resonance in the neutrino charged current interactions
- 72: Search for heavy neutrinos mixing with tau neutrino
- 73: Search for an anomalous gauge boson in $p\bar{p}$ decays at the 120 GeV p-NuMI target
- 74: Search for anomaly mediated neutrino induced photons
- 75: Search for the magnetic moment of neutrino
- 76: A test of $g_8 - g_8$ universality down to 10^{-4} level
- 77: A test of $g_8 - g_8$ coupling down to 10^{-2} level

quasi-elastic interactions

- 30: Coherent ρ^0 production in ν -induced charged current interactions
- 31: Neutral Current elastic scattering on proton $\nu(\bar{\nu}_\mu)p \rightarrow \nu(\bar{\nu}_\mu)p$
- 32: Measurement of the strange quark contribution to the nucleon spin ΔS
- 33: Determination of the weak mixing angle from NC elastic scattering off protons

Inclusive Charged Current Processes

- 34: Measurement of the inclusive ν_μ charged current cross-section in the range $0.5 \leq E_\nu \leq 40$ GeV
- 35: Measurement of the inclusive $\bar{\nu}_\mu$ charged current cross-section in the range $0.5 \leq E_\nu \leq 40$ GeV
- 36: Measurement of the inclusive ν_e and $\bar{\nu}_e$ charged current cross-section in the range $0.5 \leq E_\nu \leq 40$ GeV
- 37: Measurement of the differential ν_μ charged current cross-section as a function of x_B , y_B and E_ν .
- 38: Measurement of the differential $\bar{\nu}_\mu$ charged current cross-section as a function of x_B , y_B and E_ν .
- 39: Determination of $x F_2$ and F_3 structure functions in ν_μ charged current interactions and the QCD evolution
- 40: Determination of $x F_2$ and F_3 structure functions in $\bar{\nu}_\mu$ charged current interactions and the QCD evolution
- 41: Measurement of the longitudinal structure function, F_L , in ν_μ and $\bar{\nu}_\mu$ charged current interactions and test of QCD
- 42: Determination of the gluon structure function, bound state and higher twist effects
- 43: Precision tests of sum-rules in QPM/QCD
- 44: Measurement of ν_μ and $\bar{\nu}_\mu$ charged current differential cross-section at large- x_B and- y_B

77 HiResMnu Topics listed

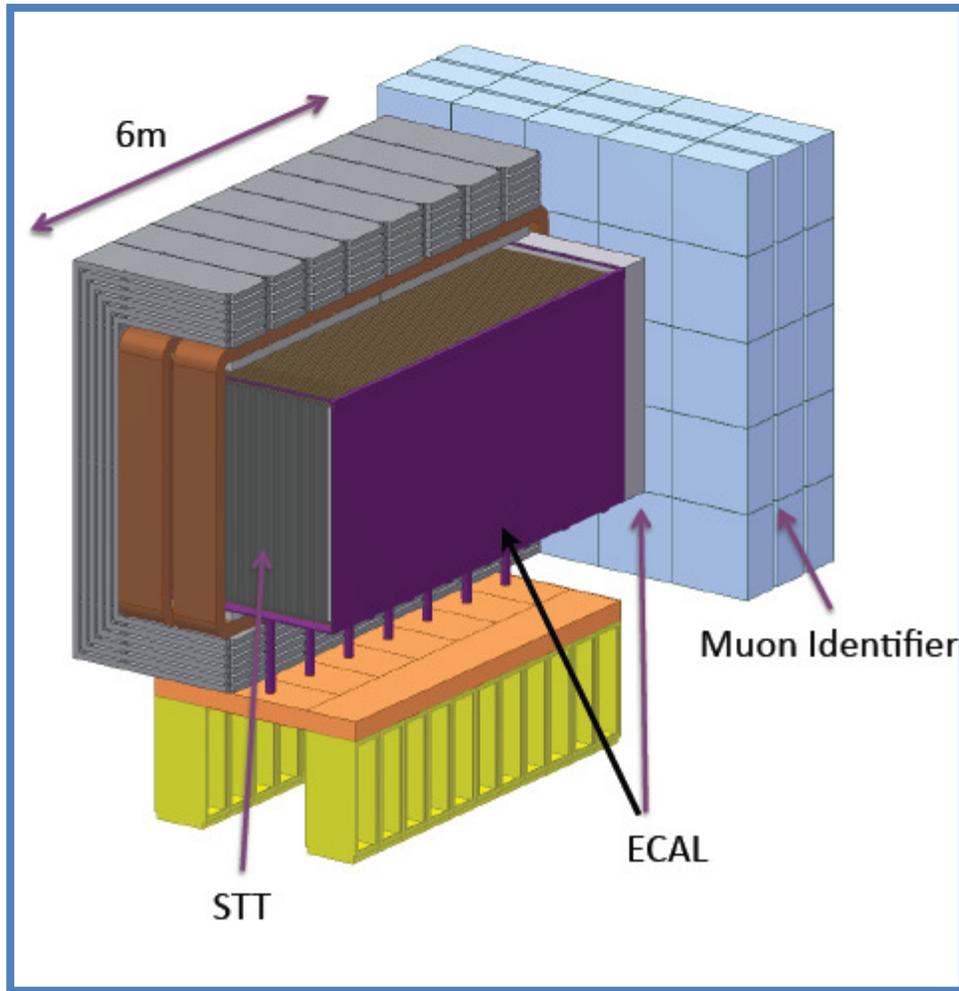
Many topics are pertinent to oscillation physics

Some non-oscillation topics might lead to discovery

Topics mentioned will have the the highest sensitivity/precision todote

Near Detector Concepts for LBNE

OPTION ONE - STRAW TUBE TRACKER (STT) – Best performance out of all

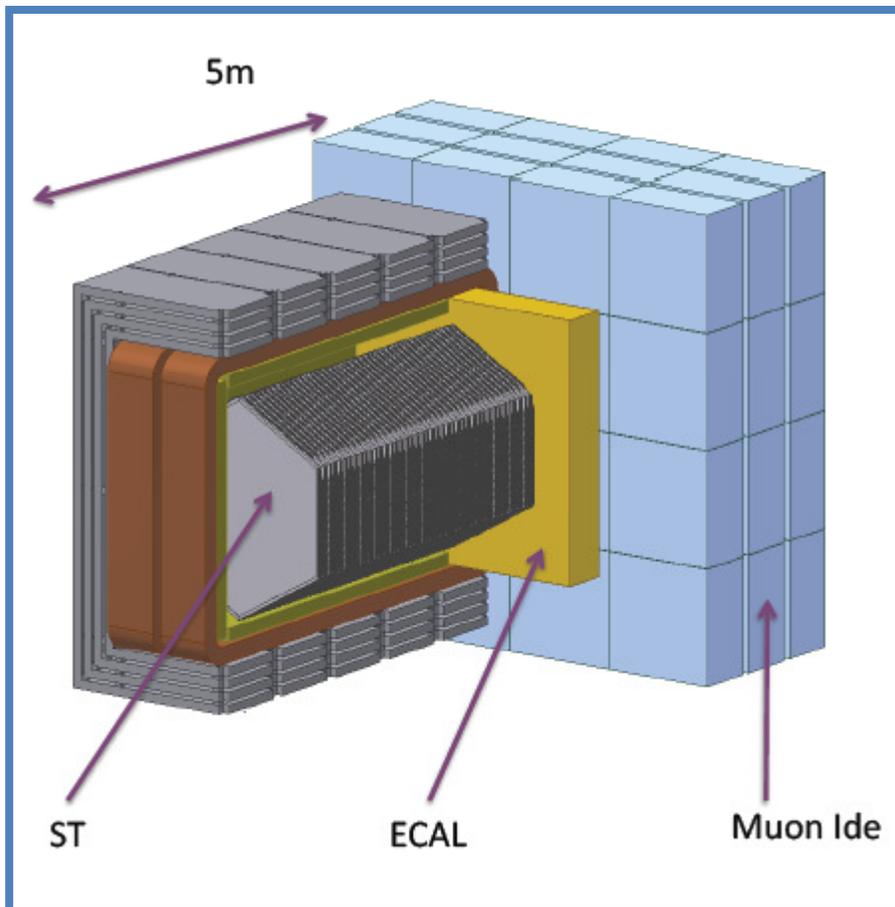


- 4m X 4m X 7m STT (7 tons, density = 0.1 gm/cm³)
- 4 π ECAL
- Dipole Field (0.4T)
- Muon-detection (RPC) in Dipole and downstream
- ✓ Transition radiation – distinguished e^\pm , and γ thus distinguishing ν_e , $\bar{\nu}_e$, and π^0
- ✓ dE/dX – separates p , π^\pm , K^\pm
- ✓ Muon + Magnet - μ^\pm
- ✓ H₂O and D₂O Target (~X5 FD stat.) → WC-FD
- ✓ QE-Proton ID → Absolute Flux measurement
- ✓ Pressurized Ar-Target (~X5 FD stat) → LAr-FD

Scientifically Richest and Most ambitious

Near Detector Concepts for LBNE

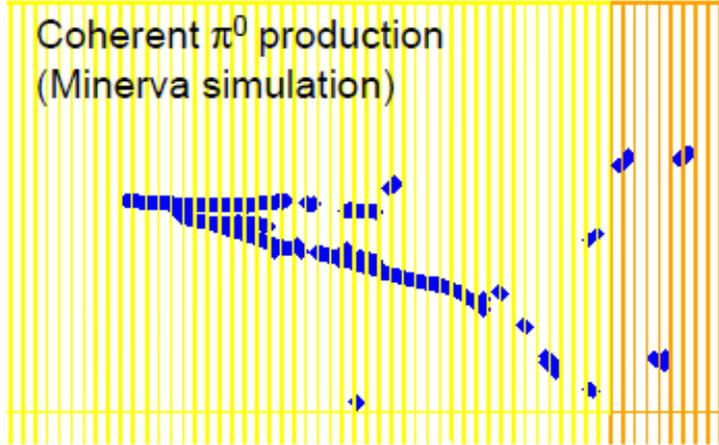
OPTION TWO – SCINTILLATOR TRACKER (ST) Works only for Water Cherenkov Far Detector



- 3m X 3m X 5m Sci-Tracker (7 tons, density = 1.0 gm/cm³)
- 4 π ECAL
- Dipole Field (0.4T)
- Muon-detection (RPC) in Dipole and downstream
- ✓ Muon + Magnet - μ^\pm
- ✓ H₂O Target (~X5 FD stat.) → WC-FD

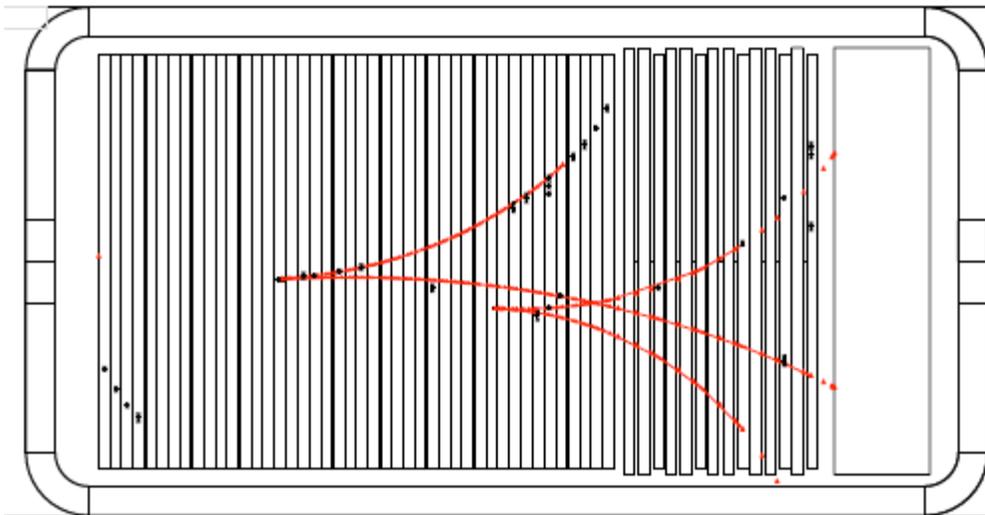
COHERENT PI-ZERO (π^0) PRODUCTION

Coherent π^0 production
(Minerva simulation)



- **MINERVA SIMULATION:**
- **A Scintillator-Tracker**
- **Million Dollar Question – What is the RESOLUTION in scintillator?**

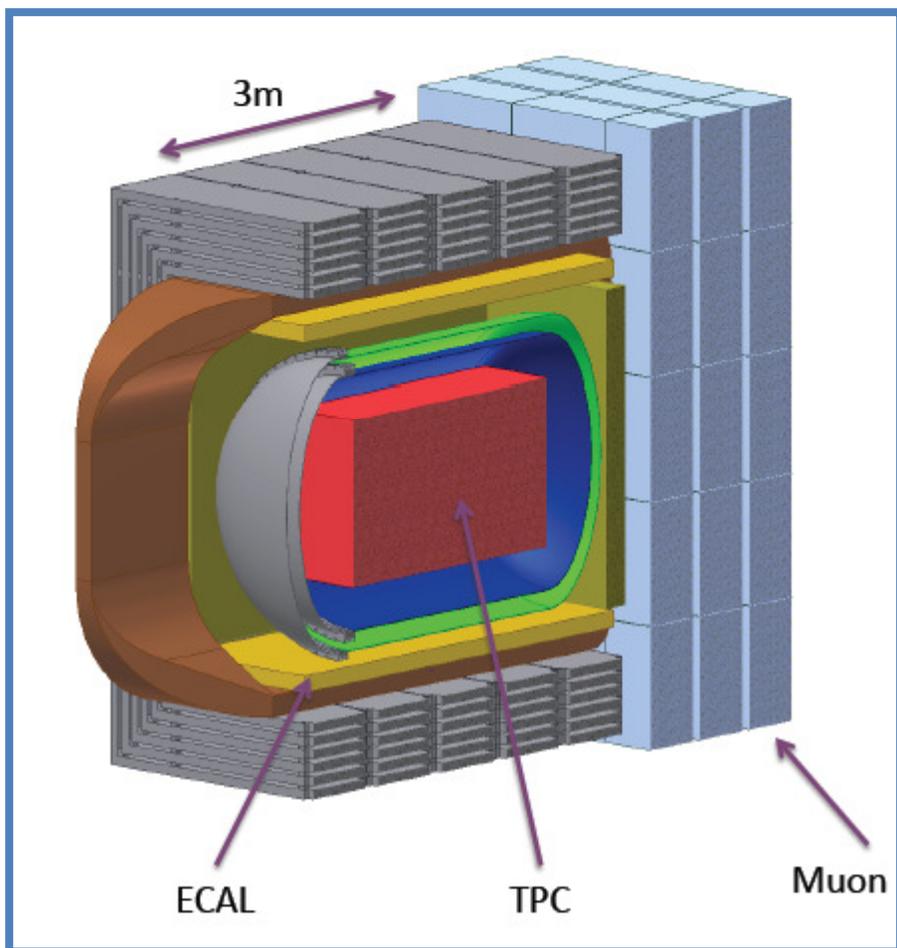
NOMAD DATA



- ✓ **NOMAD DATA**
- ✓ $\pi^0 \rightarrow \gamma\gamma \rightarrow e^+e^-$ is clearly visible.
- ✓ **STT will have 12 times more hits. One can reconstruct e^\pm , γ , and thus π^0 .**
- ✓ **Measurement of π^0 in NC and CC via γ in tracker. π^0 is the largest background to $\bar{\nu}_e$ appearance.**
- ✓ **Measure beam ν_e and $\bar{\nu}_e$. A must if there are large Δm^2 ($\sim 1 \text{ eV}^2$) oscillation a la LSND or MiniBooNE.**
- ✓ **Measure absolute flux.**

Near Detector Concepts for LBNE

OPTION THREE – LAr TPC Tracker (TPCT)



- 1.8m X 1.8m X 3m LAr (13 tons)
- 4π ECAL
- Dipole Field (0.4T)
- Muon-detection (RPC) in Dipole and downstream

✓ **LAr-FD**

OPTION FOUR is similar to OPTION THREE – but much larger LAr TPCT ~100 tons

Why a B-Field?

1. Constrain E_ν flux.
2. ND must measure the full range of E_ν and θ_ν else the sensitivity of FD will be compromised.
3. For LBNE, the maximal sensitivity for δ_{CP} is at $E_\nu = 1.5$ GeV.
4. STT will be able to distinguish μ^+ and μ^- down to 0.3 GeV.

Also the ND must measure and identify leptons (largely μ 's) at large angles.

Must measure the difference in ν_e and $\bar{\nu}_e$ interactions which might fake a “ δ_{CP} ” in the range 0.5-1.0 GeV

SUMMARY – ND must have a magnetic field.

ν_μ - QE Sensitivity Calculation

1. Precision determination of ν_μ - QE requires proton tracking.
2. Example of a ν -interaction in a high resolution ND as a calibration of FD. Need proton-tracking & resolution to point to the H₂O and D₂O vertex.
3. QE in H₂O and D₂O will provide an absolute-flux measurement.
4. μ^- , p provide an “*in situ*” constraint on the Fermi-motion and hence on the E_ν scale.
5. QE interactions dominant in low- E_ν . Need accurate parameterization of QE.
6. So – ND must track and ID QE-protons.



Figure 14: A ν_μ -QE candidate in NOMAD

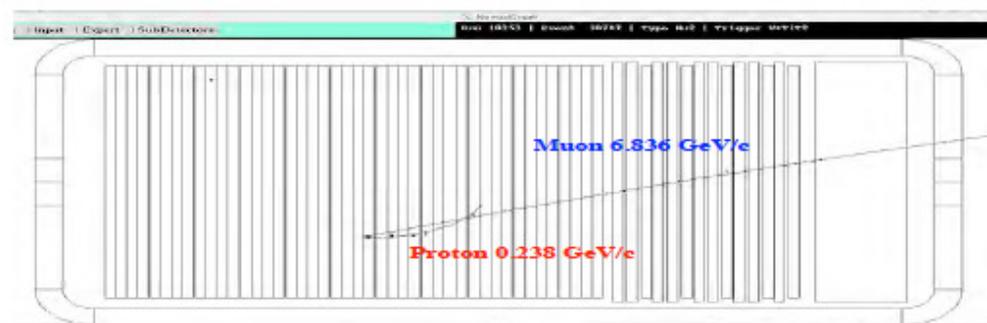


Figure 15: A ν_μ -QE candidate in NOMAD

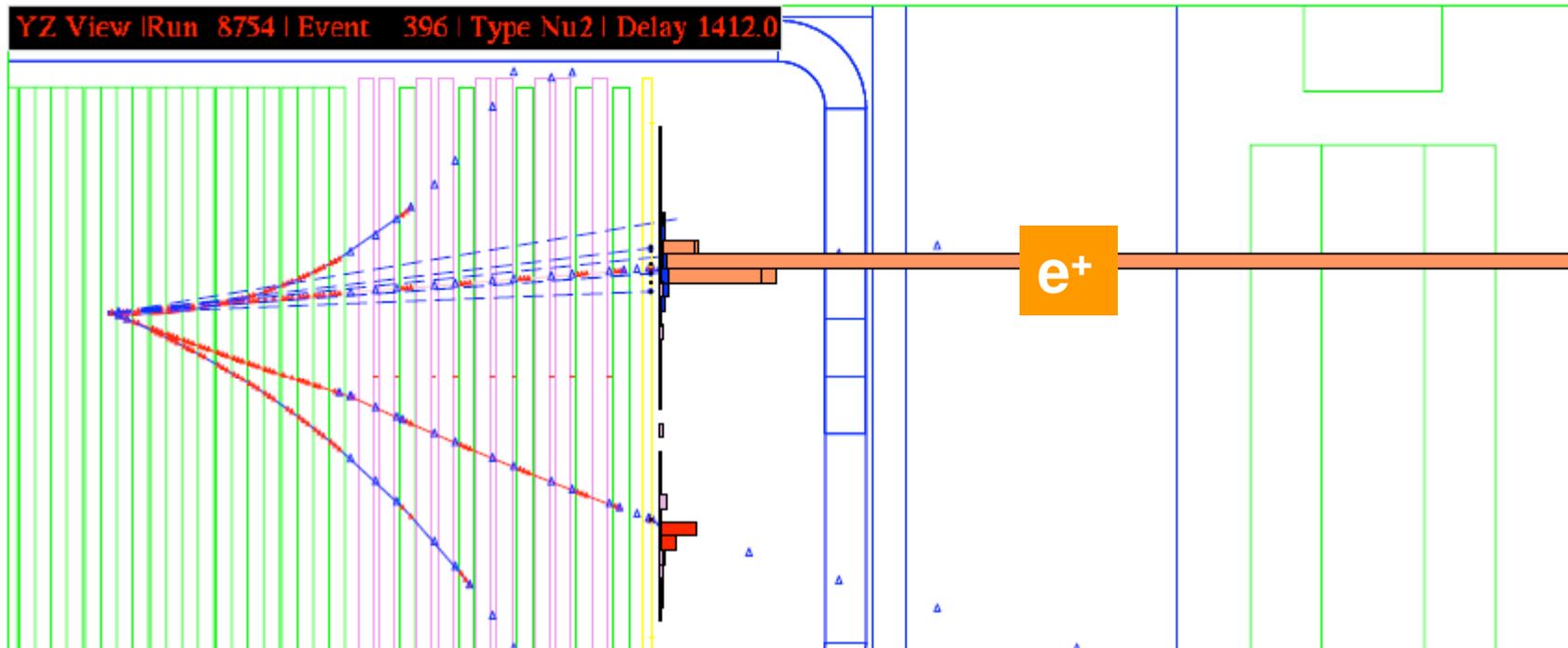
Use NOMAD data/MC as calibration.

STT will have X6 more points for protons.

Such low proton momentum quite common at LBNE.

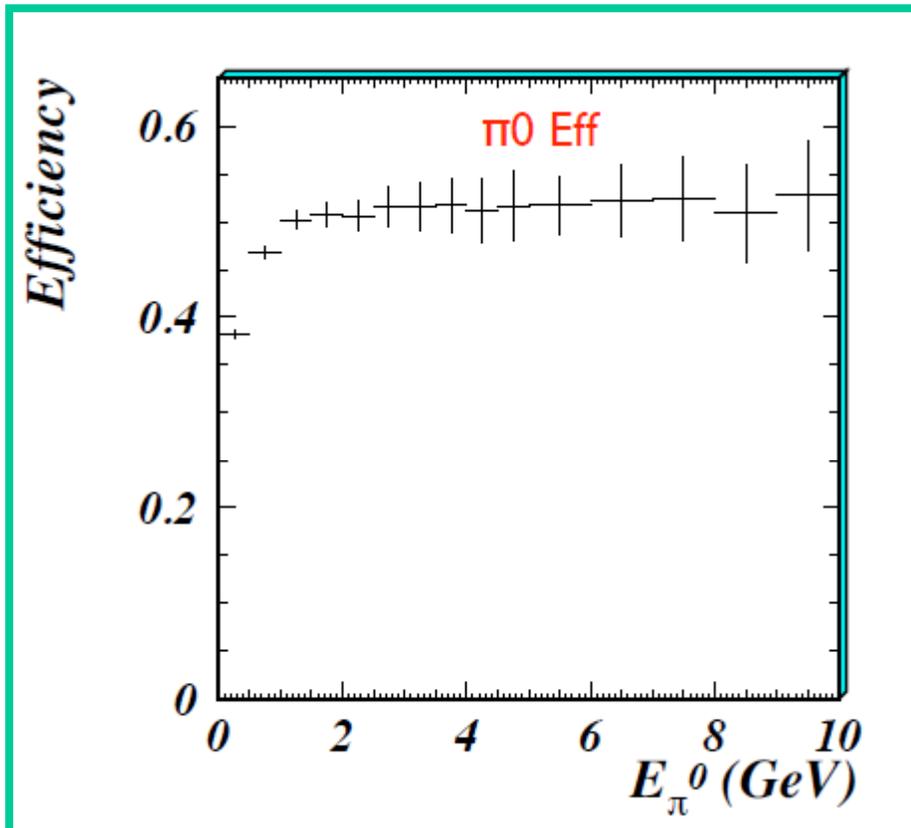
A $\bar{\nu}_e$ CC Candidate in NOMAD

The most difficult of neutrino species to identify



- ✓ X12 higher sampling in STT (HiresMv)
- ✓ X 4π calorimetric and μ coverage
- ✓ ECAL is critical for ν_e , $\bar{\nu}_e$, and π^0 reconstruction.
- ✓ $\bar{\nu}_e$ most difficult to reconstruct in any neutrino experiment. Only $\sim 0.2\%$ of ν_μ CC events.

Why ECAL is critical for LBNE ND?



- ✓ Clean π^0 and γ -signature in STT.
- ✓ ν -NC and CC $\rightarrow \pi^0 \rightarrow \gamma\gamma$. 50% of the γ will convert into e^\pm in the STT, away from the primary vertex. We focus on these.
- ✓ γ -identification. e^\pm ID: TR – using kinematic cut: Mass, opening angle.
- ✓ At least one converted γ in STT. Another γ in the downstream or side ECAL.

Conclusion $\rightarrow \pi^0$ is very well constrained in CC and NC.

Measurement of the RATIO $\mathfrak{R}_{e\mu}$?

- ❖ Search/Impact of large Δm^2 oscillations. If these exists then the assumption that flux at ND is unoscillated is false.
- ❖ Independent analysis of ν -data and $\bar{\nu}$ -data due to possible differences between MiniBooNE/LSND results.
 - ✓ Need a detector which can identify e^+ and e^- .
- ❖ Measure the ratio between the observed ν_e ($\bar{\nu}_e$) CC events and the observed ν_μ ($\bar{\nu}_\mu$) CC events as a function of L/E_ν :

$$\mathcal{R}_{e\mu}(L/(E\nu)) \equiv \frac{\# \text{ of } \nu_e N \rightarrow e^- X}{\# \text{ of } \nu_\mu N \rightarrow \mu^- X} (L/(E\nu))$$

$$\bar{\mathcal{R}}_{e\mu}(L/(E\nu)) \equiv \frac{\# \text{ of } \bar{\nu}_e N \rightarrow e^+ X}{\# \text{ of } \bar{\nu}_\mu N \rightarrow \mu^+ X} (L/(E\nu))$$

- ❖ Compare the measured ratios $\mathfrak{R}_{e\mu}(L/E_\nu)$ and $\bar{\mathfrak{R}}_{e\mu}(L/E_\nu)$ with the predictions from the ν -flux determination assuming no oscillations
- ❖ Same analysis technique used in NOMAD to search for $\nu_\mu \rightarrow \nu_e$ oscillations
- ❖ MiniBooNE effect is at 1% level. LSND measurement at 0.1% level.

HiResMv or STT – Such Rich Physics

Measurement	STT	Sci+ μ Det	LAr	LArB	LArB+Sci+ μ Det	LAr+STT
In Situ Flux Measurements for LBL:						
$\nu e^- \rightarrow \nu e^-$	Yes	No	Yes	No	No	Yes
$\nu_\mu e^- \rightarrow \mu^- \nu_e$	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	Yes
$\nu_\mu n \rightarrow \mu^- p$ at $Q^2 = 0$	Yes	Yes	No	No	Yes	Yes
Low- ν_0 method	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	Yes
ν_e and $\bar{\nu}_e$ CC	Yes	No	No	Yes	Yes	Yes
Background Measurements for LBL:						
NC cross sections	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	Yes
π^0/γ in NC and CC	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
μ decays of π^\pm, K^\pm	Yes	No	No	Yes	Yes	Yes
(Semi)-Exclusive processes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Precision Measurements of Neutrino Interactions:						
$\sin^2 \theta_W \nu$ N DIS	Yes	No	No	No	No	Yes
$\sin^2 \theta_W \nu e$	Yes	No	Yes	No	No	Yes
Δs	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
ν MSM neutral leptons	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
High Δm^2 oscillations	Yes	No	No	Yes	Yes	Yes
Adler sum rule	Yes	No	No	No	No	Yes
$D/(p+n)$	Yes	No	No	No	No	Yes
Nucleon structure	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Nuclear effects	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes

TABLE XXVIII: Summary of measurements that can be performed by different ND reference configurations.

Summary page from the Short-Baseline Physics Report: Roberto Petti

ELECTROMAGNETIC CALORIMETER

1. Composed of Scintillator (5m x 25mm x 10mm) and Pb-sheets (1.75mm) in X & Y views. WLS/Clear fibre and Silicon Photo-Multiplier readout on both sides. Possibility of co-extrusion of scintillator and fibre. Reduces cost.
2. 4π coverage surrounding STT, embedded in the magnet.
3. Magnet and ECAL designs linked with each other.

4. *A most important sub-detector of the LBNE-ND.*

5. Downstream ECAL – One module

✓ 18 X_0 → 58 layers (29 in X and 29 in Y) → ~ 50cm in Z

6. Barrel ECAL – Four modules (Top/Bottom and Left/Right)

✓ 10 X_0 → 32 layers (16 in X and 16 in Y)

7. Upstream ECAL – One Module

✓ 10 X_0 → 32 layers (16 in X and 16 in Y)

Photon position precision in X and Y of 0.3mm.

More precise the γ position more precise is π^0 .

COST ESTIMATE & SUPPORT REQUESTED

In India technical expertise exists in:

- ❖ Scintillation Detector + Si PM → necessary for LBNE Calorimeter
- ❖ RPC → necessary for the Muon system, and
- ❖ Magnet fabrication (through Indian industry)

Estimated cost of various components of the LBNE ND:

➤ STT	= \$ 23.5 M
➤ ECAL	= \$ 18.6 M
➤ Dipole Magnet	= \$ 22.5 M
➤ Muon Detector	= \$ 8.6M
✓ Magnet + ECAL + Muon	= \$50M
✓ Magnet + ECAL only	= \$40M
✓ Magnet + Muon only	= \$30M

To make a significant contribution to, and claim ownership in, the LBNE –project, need \$50M (Rs. 250 crores).

THANKS TO OUR COLLEAGUES

The details of this presentation was prepared in active consultation with

- ✓ Prof. Sanjib Mishra – Member Neutrino Working group
- ✓ Dr. Bill Louis – Manager Level 2, LBNE-ND
- ✓ Dr. Christopher Mauger – Manager Level 3, LBNE-ND
- ✓ Dr. David Lee

with overall comments from
Jim Strait – Project Manager – LBNE Experiment.

THANKS TO ALL OF THEM.

Summary and Conclusions

- India – Fermilab neutrino collaboration is progressing well.
- Students and faculty are already working on MIPP, MINOS and LBNE – at present fully supported by Fermilab resources.
- We have a proposal with the DST for support for next 3 years. Approved by DAE-DST apex committee. Funding expected soon.
- The present proposal aims towards working on compelling neutrino and new physics for next couple of decades.
- Will train and generate manpower towards future scientific projects in India (students, postdocs, faculties, engineers).
- Complementary and synergetic to our indigenous efforts.
- Indian industry can play major role in detector building
- To further strengthen the collaboration we must participate in a big way.
- To make a significant contribution to the experiment, and claim ownership in, LBNE-project need support of \$50M (Rs 250 crores).

THANK YOU

What have we achieved in a year and half ?

MIPP

Main Injector Particle Production Experiment at Fermilab
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NuFact10

Introduction to the Experiment

MIPP is a hadron production experiment which uses 120 GeV/c Main Injector primary protons to produce secondary beams of π^+ , π^- , K^+ , K^- , p and \bar{p} from 5 GeV/c to 90 GeV/c to measure particle production cross sections of various nuclei including hydrogen and Ni/M target

- Full acceptance spectrometer
- Excellent Particle ID (PID) separation
- TPC: up to 1 GeV/c
- ToF: up to 2 GeV/c
- Chor: up to 17 GeV/c
- RICH: up to 120 GeV/c

Motivation

- Previous experiments used single-arm spectrometers, giving only single (p,p) flux measurements
- Progress like Glauber, MARS, Fluka etc. model hadronic interactions based on available data
- Most existing data are low statistics, with poor particle ID, sometimes contradictory
- Neutron flux problems in Ni/M, Ni/Be/CH, K/K, T/K, Ni/A, Ni/Be/A can be reduced to one problem: **the current insufficient state of hadronic shower simulators**

MIPP Detectors

MIPP TPC:

- Particle tracks inside P10 gas (10% Methane in Argon)
- Electric drift in 10 kV electric field
- dE/dx depends on the particle type. From Bethe Bloch formula: $dE/dx \propto z^2/v_{rel} \ln p$
- 120 x 128 readout pads of 8 x 12 mm² area on bottom give position in x and z
- Drift time measurement gives y coordinate

RICH:

- $Ch_{eff} = L \ln p$
- RICH rings are found and fitted to a circle of radius $R = \sqrt{L^2 + \lambda^2}$

Track and Vertex Reconstruction

- XO field is non-uniform. Huge EDH effect electron drift in TPC
- Distortions corrected using Magboltz simulation
- MIPP TPC - Reconstructed tracks
- Reconstructed p-C 120 GeV/c event
- Drift chambers are aligned on a run-by-run basis
- Vertex resolution:
 - Z resolution - 6 mm
 - X, Y resolution - 1 mm

Particle Identification

- Separation of particles in momentum range 0.1 - 1 GeV/c
- dE/dx resolution - 12%
- Time-of-flight system calibrated and gives expected β vs. p distributions
- $\pi/K/p$ separation in momentum range -0.3 - 2 GeV/c
- Chorley detector gives:
 - π identification for $2.5 < p < 9$ GeV/c
 - p identification for $9 < p < 17$ GeV/c
- RICH ring radii distributions give close separation of π , K and p above -20 GeV/c and split up to 12 GeV/c

Recent Results

Forward neutron inclusive cross-sections

Measured cross-sections from this experiment compared with predictions from Monte Carlo

Preliminary results from Ni/M target data Analysis

Comparison of Global PID fit with data. Ni/M target analyzed by Global PID

Future Analyses

- Ni/M target analysis (See Preliminary Results, close to completion) *
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- Testing the "Scaling Law" of inclusive cross-sections
- Provide data for studies of non-perturbative QCD
- Investigate light meson spectroscopy, missing baryon resonances
- Analyses are in progress**

MIPP Upgrade

Current experiment is limited by DAQ rate, dominated by the TPC readout rate (~30 Hz). An upgrade of the TPC electronics, using the ALICE ALIRO chip, can increase this readout rate by up to 100x.

1100 chips have been delivered from CEVA

Jelly Green Giant Coil replaced and installed

Further upgrade include wire-chamber electronics upgrade, improved interaction trigger, novel detector, addition of large veto wall, and an improved beamline

Physics at beam energies of 1 GeV/c up to 120 GeV/c

Expanded run plan would support US and world-wide neutron program by including more data on the MNOS/MiWA and C and Be targets, as well as cross-section measurements for ^{12}C and ^{16}O targets which will be of importance to the Mainz Collider/Neutrino Factory and DFO respectively

Significantly help Hadron Shower Simulation Programs

MIPP welcomes new institutions to join the upgrade effort!

6/17/2011

Under India-Fermilab Neutrino Collaboration
 NuFact10, 20-25 October, TIFR - Mumbai, India

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Sonam Mahajan – Ph.D student, PU

Advisor: Vipin Bhatnagar, PU

Co-advisor: Brajesh Choudhary, DU

Currently working on data for interaction of 58 GeV proton on LH2.

1. Track multiplicity study.
2. Scintillator based trigger efficiency as a function of multiplicity, track momentum for 58 GeV proton on LH2, Bismuth, & Carbon targets and 120 GeV proton on Be and Carbon targets
3. Study of elastic, inelastic x-section using DPMJET
4. KNO scaling, etc. etc.

Presented a poster on behalf of the collaboration at NuFact10.

Very encouraging response.

What have we achieved in a year and half?

MIPP Main Injector Particle Production Experiment at Fermilab

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<p>Forward neutron inclusive cross-sections (Phys. Rev. D 83, 012002 (2011))</p> <p>Measured cross-sections from this experiment compared with predictions from Monte Carlo</p> <p>Preliminary results from NuMI target data analysis</p> <p>Comparison of the GlobalPid spectra (green) at the end of 15 runs with MCTP/TH (red) in the Monte Carlo sample for both charges for pions (left) and for protons (right)</p> <p>Comparison of the data positive (green) and negative (red) spectra (a) for electrons (b) for pions (c) for kaons (d) for protons</p>	<p>KNO-based technique to get the trigger efficiencies</p> <p>Scintillator-based interaction trigger requires at least 3 charged tracks for the scintillator to be fired which causes inefficiencies at low multiplicities</p> <p>The method uses a K matrix $K(n, n_0)$ which denotes the probability of observing multiplicity n, given a true multiplicity n_0</p> <p>K matrix multiplied by true probabilities from KNO function $\Psi(\ln n_0) = (3.972 + 3.3372 \ln n_0 - 6.642) \times 0.3327 e^{-n_0}$ (fit to the published data) gives predicted distribution</p> <p>The observed distribution is fitted to the predicted distribution to extract the trigger efficiencies</p> <p>Comparison of predicted and measured distribution</p> <p>Total cross sections as a function of multiplicity for 56 GeV/c proton on LH target using KNO-based efficiencies for correction</p>	<p>NuMI target analysis (See Preliminary Results, close to completion) *</p> <p>Production cross sections for 20, 56, 85 GeV/c π, K and p on LH target and also for targets C, Be, Bi and U *</p> <p>Neutral Kaon production cross-sections *</p> <p>Testing the "Scaling Law" of inclusive cross-sections</p> <p>Provide data for studies of non-perturbative QCD</p> <p>Investigate light meson spectroscopy, missing baryon resonances</p> <p>*Analyses are in progress</p>

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Presented a poster on behalf of the MINOS collaboration at Fermilab's annual users meeting.

Very encouraging response.

Further work to appear as poster at Lepton Photon 2011 to be held at TIFR, Mumbai, 22-27 August, 2011.

What have we achieved in a year and half?

Richa Sharma – Ph.D student, PU

Advisor: Vipin Bhatnagar, PU, Co-advisor: Brajesh Choudhary, DU

Working on charge current analysis with anti-neutrino data at MINOS.

Gave a talk at APS April meeting at Anaheim, CA from April 30 – May 3, 2011.

MINOS has previously reported the results of $\bar{\nu}_\mu$ disappearance from a direct observation of muon antineutrinos. The antineutrinos studied for this purpose are taken from two types of beam configurations: (a) Forward Horn Current (FHC), optimized for ν_μ selection where the $\bar{\nu}_\mu$ content is 7% of the neutrino beam, and (b) Reverse Horn Current (RHC), optimized for $\bar{\nu}_\mu$ selection where the $\bar{\nu}_\mu$ content is 40% of the beam. The previous analyses were based on 3.2×10^{20} protons on the NuMI target in FHC configuration and 1.7×10^{20} protons on target in RHC configuration. These analyses make a precise measurement of the oscillation parameters $\Delta\bar{m}_{23}^2$ and $\sin^2 2\bar{\theta}_{23}$ and also constrain the fraction of ν_μ that oscillate to $\bar{\nu}_\mu$. In the present analysis we have an FHC $\bar{\nu}_\mu$ data sample with 7.1×10^{20} protons on target which will be used to improve the previous measurements. This talk summarizes the agreement between data and simulation in the Near Detector at Fermilab.

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Searching for Antineutrino Oscillations in a NuMI Neutrino Beam at MINOS

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Physics Goal and The MINOS Detectors

- The aim of this study is to measure the antineutrino oscillation parameters $\Delta m^2_{\mu\tau}$ and $\sin^2(2\theta_{\mu\tau})$ via their disappearance.
- The NuMI neutrino beam is produced at Fermilab. The Near Detector (ND) measures the energy spectrum before oscillations. The Far Detector (FD) detects the oscillated spectrum 735 km away.
- The survival probability of muon antineutrinos is:

$$P(\bar{\nu}_\mu \rightarrow \bar{\nu}_\mu) = 1 - \sin^2(2\theta_{\mu\tau}) \sin^2\left(1.27 \Delta m^2_{\mu\tau} \frac{L}{E}\right)$$



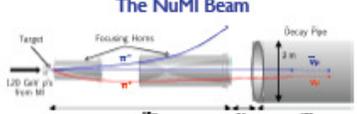
Near Detector
Measures the energy spectrum at production



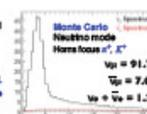
Far Detector
Looks for disappearance of neutrinos

- Both the detectors are functionally identical and are made of steel and scintillator.
- The detectors are magnetized with a 1.3T magnetic field.

The NuMI Beam



- The NuMI neutrino beam is obtained by interaction of a 120 GeV proton beam from the Main Injector with a graphite target. This produces mesons which are then focused by two magnetic horns into the decay pipe where they decay into ν_μ and $\bar{\nu}_\mu$.
- The horns can focus either positive or negative mesons which produces a beam dominated by ν_μ or $\bar{\nu}_\mu$ respectively.
- In the normal configuration, the positively charged mesons are focused which produces a beam dominated by neutrinos.
- Antineutrino component in the beam comes from neck-to-neck K^0 and K^0 which avoid being defocused.
- Antineutrinos make up only 7% of the events at the Far Detector with a peak at a higher energy than the neutrinos.

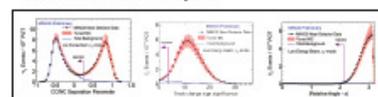
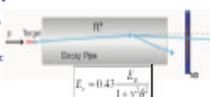


Monte Carlo Neutrino mode Histogram of E_ν

$\nu_\mu = 91.7\%$
 $\bar{\nu}_\mu = 7.6\%$
 $\nu_e = \bar{\nu}_e = 1.3\%$

Event Selection and Extrapolation for $\bar{\nu}_\mu$ study

- Desired events are characterized by long μ^+ tracks which curve upward in the detector's magnetic field.
- There are two main backgrounds:
 - μ^+ tracks (from ν_μ CC interactions) with misidentified curvature
 - NC interactions, where another particle takes a muon track
- Variables used to remove these background:
 - CG/NO separation parameter - removes NC events and misidentified ν_μ CC events
 - Track Charge Sign Significance $(\mu^+/\mu^-)/\sigma$ - measures the confidence of charge sign determination
 - Relative Angle - measures whether the track curves towards or away from the coil hole
- This gives a selection efficiency of 60% and purity of 95% at the Near Detector

Previous MINOS Results

- $\bar{\nu}_\mu$ disappearance using antineutrino-optimized beam with 1.71×10^{18} protons-on-target data. (40% $\bar{\nu}_\mu$ in beam)
 - Events expected with no oscillations - 100
 - Events observed - 90
 - Fitting for oscillations gives a best-fit:

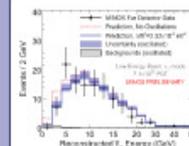
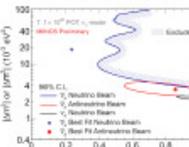
$$|\Delta m^2_{\mu\tau}| = 3.36_{-3.24}^{+3.45} \pm 0.66(\text{stat}) \times 10^3 \text{ eV}^2$$

$$\sin^2(2\theta_{\mu\tau}) = 0.86_{-0.12}^{+0.13} \pm 0.21(\text{stat})$$
- ν_μ disappearance using neutrino-optimized beam with 7.1×10^{18} protons-on-target data.
 - Events expected with no oscillations - 2451
 - Events observed - 1886
 - Fitting for oscillations gives a best-fit:

$$|\Delta m^2_{\mu\tau}| = 2.32_{-2.22}^{+2.33} \times 10^3 \text{ eV}^2$$

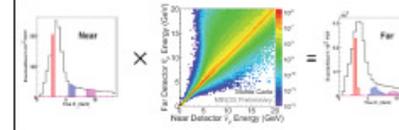
$$\sin^2(2\theta_{\mu\tau}) = 0.90 \text{ (99\% C. L.)}$$

Results

The Feldman-Cousins approach is used to obtain confidence limits on the oscillation parameters with systematics included. This approach gives correct confidence intervals in the presence of limited statistics and physical boundaries.

Event Selection and Extrapolation for $\bar{\nu}_\mu$ study



6/17/2011 44th Fermilab Users' Meeting, June 1-2, 2011

Richa Sharma – Ph.D student, PU

Advisor: Vipin Bhatnagar, PU

Co-advisor: Brajesh Choudhary, DU

Presented a poster on behalf of the MINOS collaboration at Fermilab's annual users meeting.

Very encouraging response.

What have we achieved in a year and half?

Amandeep Singh – Ph.D student, PU
Advisor: Ashok Kumar, PU.

Working towards his Ph.D thesis on MIPP. At present working on Ks analysis.

Arun Kumar Soma – Ph.D student, BHU
Advisor: Venkatesh Singh, BHU.

Participated in MIPP data analysis for six months. Work to appear in paper.

Sourav Tarafdar – Ph.D student, BHU
Advisor: Venkatesh Singh, BHU.

Participating in MIPP data analysis for one year. Work to appear in paper.

Navaneeth Poomthottathil - Ph.D student, CUSAT
Advisor - Ramesh BabuThayyullathil

Recently joined. Getting started with basics of EHEP, Neutrino Physics, HEP related detectors etc. Hope to be in Fermilab by beginning of 2012.

What have we achieved in a year and half?

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Simulation of the Cosmic Muon flux at the Homestake Mine.

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Abstract

Simulated results on the cosmic ray muon flux at the 4850 level in the Homestake mine has been presented. The expected cosmic ray muon flux is 4.63×10^{-9} Hz/cm² at the 4850 level which corresponds to an integrated muon flux of $1459 \mu / m^2 / year$. The flux distribution as a function of the muon energy as well as the zenith angle has also been presented.

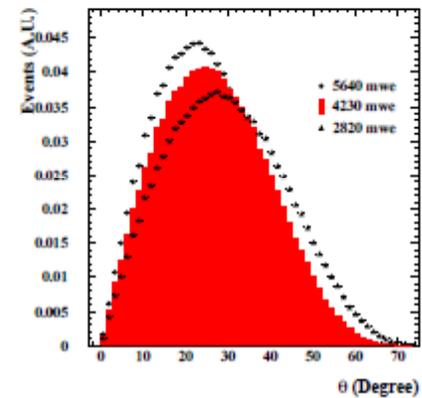


Figure 5: Zenith angle distributions for Cosmic Muon flux at the depth of 5640 m.w.e, 4230 m.w.e and 2820 m.w.e.

What have we achieved in a year and half?



LBNE : Physics Reach & Status

Brajesh Choudhary
University of Delhi, Delhi
On behalf of LBNE Collaboration

*12th International Workshop on Neutrino
Factories, Superbeams and Beta Beams*
20-25 October, 2010,
TIFR-Mumbai, India

Current Status & Deliverables Over Next 3 Years

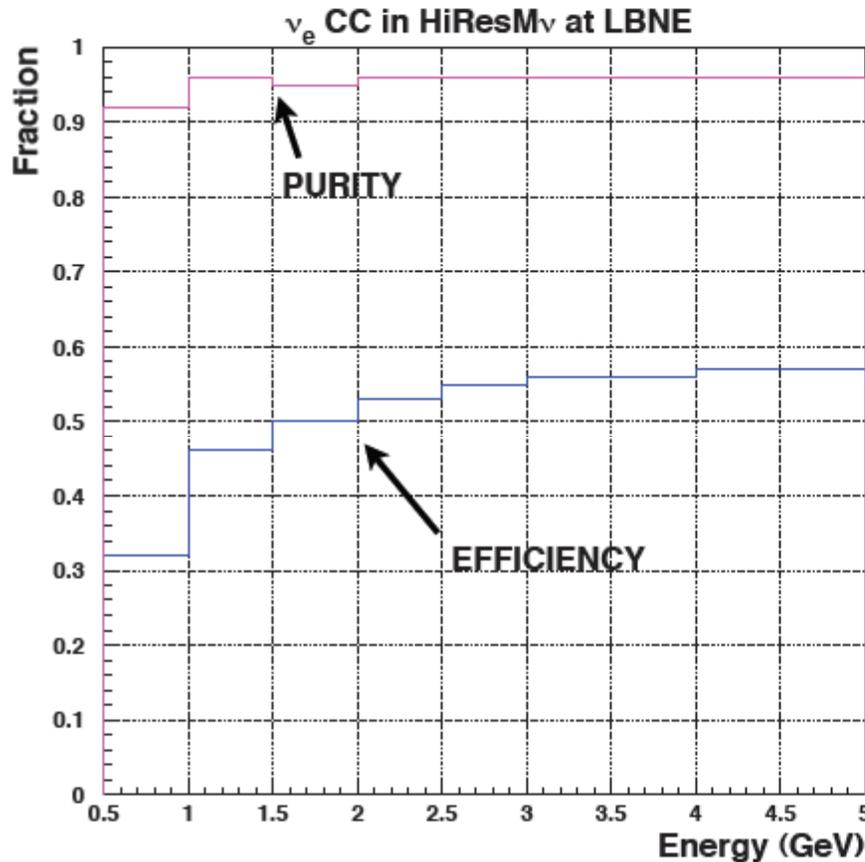
➤ Current Status

- Since January 2010 – 4+1 Ph.D students & 4 faculty have visited Fermilab.
- Three (2+1) Ph.D student (stationed at Fermilab) are working towards thesis on MIPP (2 students) and MINOS (1 student) respectively. One more to follow soon.
- One faculty was awarded a prestigious International fellowship.

➤ With the present funding - Expected Deliverables till 2014

- Establish detector R&D labs at Delhi, Panjab and Banaras.
- Establish simulation center at IIT(G), DU and PU.
- New groups at CUSAT, HU, JU and IIT(H) - to launch multi-faceted activities at four institutions.
- Senior Ph.D students to work on neutrino physics at Fermilab.
- We expect 3 students to write thesis on MIPP.
- We expect 2 students to write thesis on MINOS.
- Other students to write thesis on MINOS, MINOS+, NOvA & LBNE.
- With time we will ramp up participation of students as well as faculty.
- Later we will work on NOvA and LBNE.
- Participate in the design of LBNE near detector.

IDENTIFICATION OF ν_e CC INTERACTIONS



- ◆ The HiResM ν detector can *distinguish electrons from positrons in STT*
 \Rightarrow *Reconstruction of the e's as bending tracks NOT showers*
- ◆ *Electron identification against charged hadrons from both TR and dE/dx*
 \Rightarrow *TR π rejection of 10^{-3} for $\epsilon \sim 90\%$*
- ◆ *Use multi-dimensional likelihood functions incorporating the full event kinematics to reject non-prompt backgrounds (π^0 in ν_μ CC and NC)*
 \Rightarrow *On average $\epsilon = 55\%$ and $\eta = 99\%$ for ν_e CC at LBNE*

◆ **VeBar-CC Sensitivity:**

If we keep the **signal efficiency** at $\sim 55\%$, then **purity** is about **95%**

Absolute Flux using ν -e Elastic NC Scattering

Using the Weak Mixing Angle (0.238) at $Q^2 \sim 0.1$ GeV (known to $\leq 1\%$ precision)

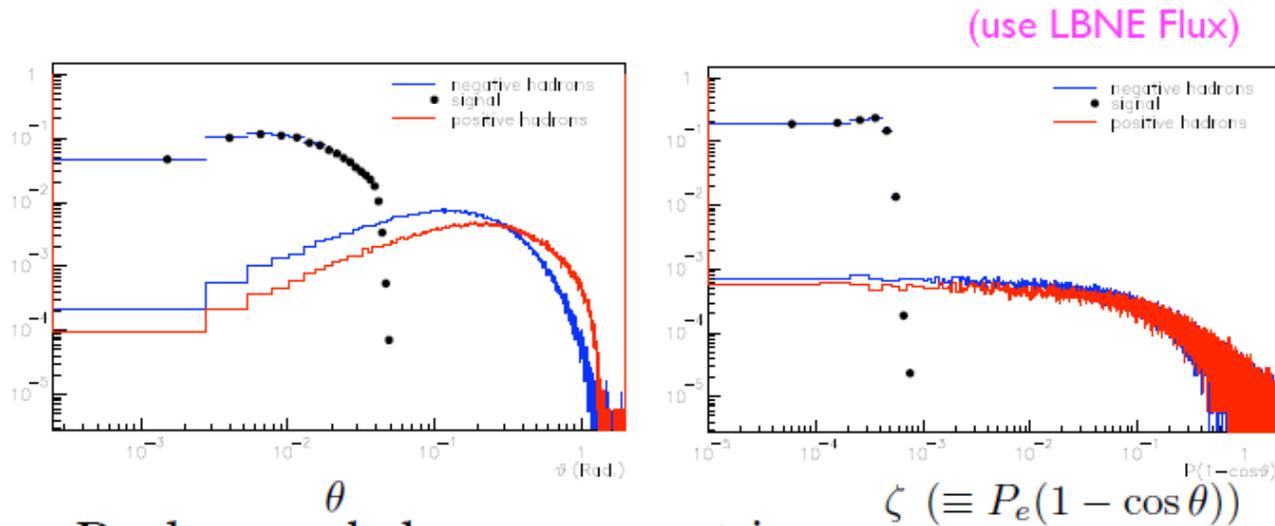
$\Rightarrow \sigma(\nu e\text{-NC})$ known \Rightarrow Absolute- $\phi(\nu_x)$

ν ν -e \Rightarrow Signal: Single, forward e-

Background: NC induced $\pi^0 \Rightarrow \gamma \Rightarrow e^-$ (e+ invisible): charge-symmetric

Two-step Analysis: * Electron-ID: TR * Kinematic cut: $\zeta = P_e(1 - \cos\theta_e)$

Simulation of charged hadron background.



Background charge symmetric & benign

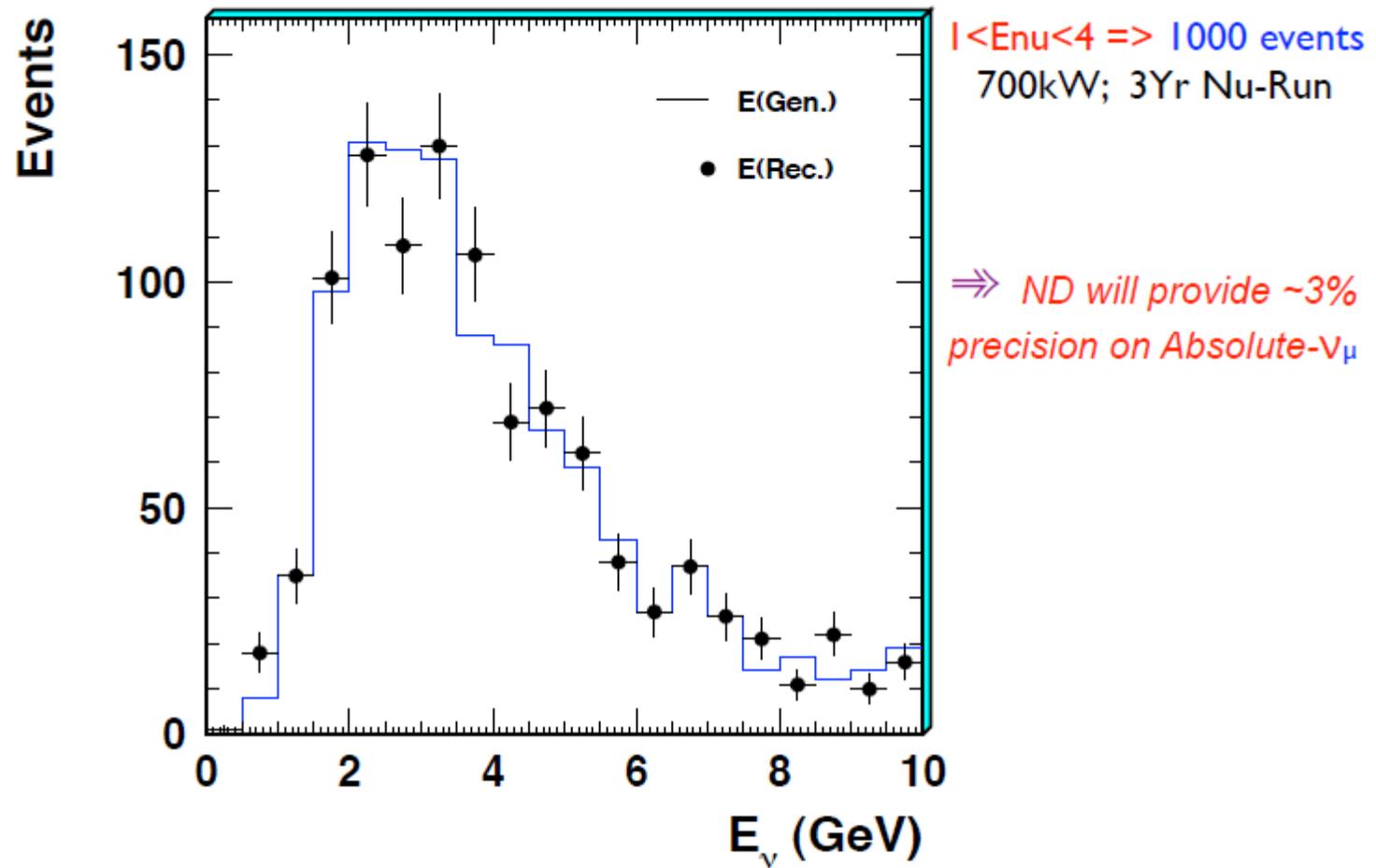
Eff > 64%
Bkg > $\leq 10^{*-6}$ \Leftarrow Measured

\Leftarrow Conclusion

Absolute Flux using ν -e Elastic Scattering

Shape of E_{ν} using (E_e, θ_e):

The precision on relative ν -flux (shape) is worse than in that determined using Low- ν_0 technique



Front View: Dipole Magnet in ND Hall

